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PATENT

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Applicants : Alessandro Zafarana et al.  
Application No. : 09/982,132  
Filed : October 16, 2001  
For : MANAGING SYSTEM AND SYNCHRONIZATION METHOD  
FOR A PLURALITY OF VRM-TYPE MODULES

Examiner : Albert C. Wang  
Art Unit : 2115  
Docket No. : 856063.715  
Date : March 28, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 27, 2004, the applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-6 and 13-15, for examination at this time.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 954

Complete if Known

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Examiner Name

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## METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☒ Payment Enclosed:
- ☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other
- ☐ Deposit Account:
- Deposit Account Number 19-1090
- Deposit Account Name Seed Intellectual Property Law Group PLLC
- The Commissioner is authorized to (check all that apply)
- ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☒ Credit any overpayments
- ☐ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application
- ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee
- ☒ Charge any deficiencies
- to the above-identified deposit account.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	740
106	330	208	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$ 740)

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
	15	-20 = 0	18	0
	4	-3 = 1	84	84

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$ 84)

\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	130
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,860	228	930	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 130)

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